

Children's Work

Senior students have been mastering their writing skills in developing character descriptions. Enjoy!

AIDEN

His crazy coloured eyes and his luscious blonde hair.

He has a hard head and is anxious for attention.

He has a soft kick and sharp, pointy toenails that can pop a balloon.

By Kyah

KISO ETI

He's a tower of strength with a stormy black afro and dirt coloured eyebrows and hazelnut eyes. Fast in action, awesome in sight with big bulgy hands and nimble fingers. He's got feet like a giant and is four feet high. He's got a great big head for his compact brain.

He's tumultuous at sports but is more so in rugby, he is as smart as Charles Darwin, he's as popular as ice-cream! He loves his brother Locky but as much as Dillon. He's friendly around friends.

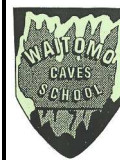
He can run a marathon with out breaking a sweat, he is as rich as a billionaire, his favourite colour is red, and he is my cousin.

By Blaze

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

11 June	Staff PD – School closes 2.00pm
13 June	BOT meeting
15 June	Aria Orienteering Day
22 June	Mid-Year Reports go home
26 June	Parent report evening
29 June	Community Assembly, 1.30pm
29 June	End of Term 2
16 July	Term 3 begins

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Term Two 2012

Week Seven – 8 June

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome to school Katie Townsend. Katie is a five year old who has joined the Kowhai Class. Welcome to our parent community David and Toni.

Mrs Meredith Bird-Miller has been working with classes recently to share the work of New Hampshire students and their digital stories. We look forward to skyping the States on Tuesday as they prepare for their summer vacation.

Monday

A final reminder that school closes on Monday at 2.00pm in order for staff to attend a Bruce Moody professional development workshop on Numeracy at Otorohanga Primary School. The school bus will depart at 2.00pm when all children will be dismissed from class.

Fundraising

Thank you to the fundraising committee who have contributed generously to the purchase of our new crash pad mat.

This weekend there is a home game meal for players at the clubrooms. Please come along a help from 4.00pm onwards. Thank you to all the



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helpers who prepared the vegetables this afternoon and those who are cooking meat this evening. Special thanks and appreciation to the Verry family for generously donating meat. Also to the Pitts-Brown family for providing vegetables.

Maniapoto Māori Trust Board

Our sincere thanks go to the Maniapoto Māori Trust Board for the Cultural Grant received to support our Te Reo Māori and kapa haka programmes. Also thank you to Miria for submitting this application on behalf of the school.

Aria Orienteering Day

Kauri class will be participating in the Aria Orienteering Day on Friday. Some pink slips have been returned and those still to come please return them on Monday. There appears to be enough transport at this stage however the more the merrier.

Property

The school remains in tip-top condition and well done to all our students for taking particular care in the tidy appearance of the grounds by looking after property, equipment and collecting rubbish.

Thank you to the Batger family for continually monitoring and improving the school grounds and maintenance with the support of Community Workers during designated weekends. Also thank you Batch for the ongoing work involved in preparing and maintaining the pool area ready for an upgrade of paint and repairs.

Mid Year Reports

Mid year reports will be distributed to parents and caregivers so they are received by Friday 22 June. Parent teacher interviews will be held on the evening of Tuesday 26 June from 6.00pm onwards. In the past parents would pop down to school and socialise while waiting until the teacher is available. With an increase of families now, depending on the number of responses received the report evening format may change.

The reports will include a response needed for parent teacher interviews and feedback on the report information. Please spend time to read, complete and return these details.

Community Assembly

Our final community assembly for the term will take place on Friday 29 June at 1.30pm. Please remember that the final assembly for the term

starting time is always earlier than usual. This assembly concludes Term 2 and a two week holiday break begins.

Games Tops

Thank you to Otorohanga College and Tanchia for donating numbered sports tops that are no longer used by College teams. They will be very useful for our students.

Waiata Whakamihi – Tomo Mai

This item was initially written for the students of Waitomo Caves School, however it was anticipated that it filter out in to the iwi. It is a traditional style chant that pays tribute to the history of Waitomo up until the present day.

Tēnā Koutou!

Tomo mai te puna o Tāne

Welcome to this; the fame of Tāne Tinorau

Me te aroha nui o ngā tupuna

Enter with the sanction of predecessors

Ruapuha, Uekaha!

Ruapuha and Uekaha

Me te aroha nui o Tāne

Enter the great endowment of Tāne Mahuta

Kitea e te ao

that is viewed by the world

Huihui ki Tokitapu, ki Pōhatuiri

The invitation extends to the revered

Tēnā koutou e te iwi e ... ii!

courtyards of Tokikapu and Pōhatuiri

Greetings alas welcome!

Once again many thanks to Dougie Te Ruki for composing this Waiata for our school community and to Martha Ash for sharing it with the infamous Waitomo Caves Choir. We hope you enjoy learning it as we have done over the years.

Community News

